## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Deputy Zoning Commissioner as a Partition for Special Hearing in which the Petitioner herein requests approval of a nonconforming use of the subject property as a two-apartment dwelling, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1.

The Petitioner, Willie Hunt, appeared and testified. Also appearing on pehalf of the Petitioner were Linwood Johnson with the Office of Planning, and Alan Curry, a prior resident of the area. There were no

Testimony indicated that the subject property, known as /305 Linden Avenue, consists of .123 acres, more or less, zoned D.R. 5.5 and is improved with a dwelling containing two apartments. Petitioner filed the instant Petition to establish a legal nonconforming use of the subject dwelling as two apartments as a result of a zoning violation complaint filed by the adjoining property owner at 7307 Linden Avenue. Testimony indicated that the Petitioner purchased the subject property in 1973 and that at that time it was used as two apartments. Petitioner testified that he has continued the use of the property as a two apartment dwelling and that there has been no interruption in said use since his purchase.

Alan Curry appeared and testified on behalf of the Petitioner. He testified that he is familiar with the property having lived in the area

From 1944 until last year. Mr. Curry testified that the subject property ras always used as two apartments and that to his knowledge, there has never been any interruption in such use.

In Eurther support of this Petition, Lenwood Johnson with the Office of Planning, appeared and testified. Mr. Johnson introduced Petitioner's Exh.bit 2 which describes the history of the property and surrounding area in detail. Testimony and evidence presented indicate that the adjoining property owner apparently proceeded to convert his property from a single tamily dwelling to a two apartment dwelling shortly after his purchase. Thereafter, at the request of the Cherry Heights Community Association, that property owner was cited with a zoning violation notice. It was presumed that the adjoining property owner then filed the complaint concerning the instant property. Mr. Johnson also indicated that the Cherry Heights Community Association supports the Petitioner's request.

As with all non-conforming use cases, the first task is to determine what lawful non-conforming use existed on the subject property prior to January 2, 1945, the effective date of the adoption of the Zoning Regulations and the controlling date for the beginning of zoning.

The second principle to be applied, as specified in Section 104.1, is whether or not there has been a change in the use of the subject property. A determination must be made as to whether or not the change is a different use and therefore, breaks the continued nature of the non-conforming use. If the change in use is found to be different than the original use, the current use of the property shall not be considered non-conforming. See McKemy v. Baltimore County, Md., 39 Md. App.257, 385 A2d.

When the claimed non-conforming use has changed, or expanded,

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ZONING DESCRIPTION. 92-323-A

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Commissioner should consider the following factors:

these lots reflect the nature and purpose of the original non-conforming use;

different effect upon the neighborhood;

(d) Is the current use a "drastic enlargement

McKemy v. Baltimore County, Md., Supra.

it is clear that the subject property has been used continuously and without interruption as a two-apartment dwelling since at least 1941 and that the property enjoys a legal nonconforming use.

public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested in the Petition for Special Hearing should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this  $7^{4k}$  day of April, 1992 that the Petition for Special Hearing to approve a nonconforming use of the subject property as a two-apartment dwel a two-apartment dwelling, in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be

then the Zoning Commissioner must determine whether or not the current use represents a permissible intensification of the original use or an actual change from the prior legal use. In order to decide whether or not the current activity is within the scope of the non-conforming use, the Zoning

"(a) To what extent does the current use of

(b) Is the current use merely a different manner of utilizing the original non-conforming use or does it constitute a use different in character, nature, and kind;

(c) Does the current use have a substantially

or extension" of the original non-conforming use."

After due consideration of the testimony and evidence presented,

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

march 12,1992 THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was publish ed in the NORTHEAST TIMES BOOSTER and the NORTHEAST TIMES REPORTER, weekly newspapers published in Baltimore County, Md. \_successive weeks, the first publication appearing on march 12,1992.

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The Baning Countsioner of Ballimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Ballimore County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, to-cated at 111 W. Chesspeaks Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

Case Number: 92-323-A SE/S Linden Avenue, 80' (+/-) E of Cherry Street 7305 Linden Avenue 14th Election District 6th Councilmanic Petitioner(s): Willie Hunt

LAWRENCE E. SCHMIDT Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was oublished in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each of weeks, the first publication appearing on Musch 12 19 92.

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Suite 113 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

April 7, 1992

Mr. Willie Hunt 5004 Litchfield Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215

RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL HEARING SE/S Linden Avenue, 80' E of Cherry Street (7305 Linden Avenue) 14th Election District - 6th Councilmanic District Willie Hunt - Petitioner Case No. 92-323-SPH

Dear Mr. Hunt:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petition for Special Hearing has been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event any party finds the decision rendered is unfavorable, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact Ms. Charlotte Radcliffe at 887-3391.

Very truly yours,

Deputy Zoning Commissioner

cc: People's Counsel

for Baltimore County

**Zoning Commision** County Office Building
111 West Cheespooks Avenu 2/26/92 PUBLIC HEARING FEES 030 -SPECIAL HEARING (IRL \$35.00 HOTAL: LAST NAME OF OWNER: HUNT

5004 Litchfield Ave

ORDER RECEIVED FOR FILING Date 4/7/92

Petition for Special Hearing

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Hearing under Section 500.7 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, to determine whether or not the Zoning Commissioner and/or Deputy Zoning Commissioner should approve 1 Non-canforming 2 (two) apartment dwelling, at

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of the above Special Hearing advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this Petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law for Baltimore County.

> I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

Contract Purchaser/Lessee: Legal Owner(s): Willie Hunt (Type or Print Name) Wille H-V (Type or Print Name)

City and State Attorney for Petitioner: 5004 Litch Field Ave 367-2186 (Type or Print Name)

Bolto Md 21215 Name, address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or representative to be contacted

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DATE: March 20, 1992

Willie Hunt 5004 Litchfield Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215

DATE: 3/17/92

CASE NUMBER: 92-323-A 3E/S Linden Avenue, 80'(+/-) E of Cherry Street 7305 Linden Avenue 14th Election District - 6th Councilmanic Petitioner(s): Willie Hunt

Dear Petitioner(s):

Please be advised that \$ 10,64 is due for advertising and posting of the above captioned

THIS FEE MUST BE PAID AND THE ZONING SIGN & POST SET(S) RETURNED ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE CRDER SHALL NOT ISSUE. DO NOT REMOVE THE SIGN & POST SET(S) FROM THE PROPERTY UNTIL THE DAY OF THE HEARING.

Please forward your check via return mail to the Zoning Office, County Office Exilding, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 113, Towson, Maryland 21204. It should have your case number noted thereon and be made payable to Baltimore County, Maryland. In order to prevent delay of the issuance of proper credit and/or your Order, immediate attention to this matter is suggested.

Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management Office of Planning & Zoning

410) 887-3353

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 2120+

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MARCH 6, 1992

NOTICE OF HEARING

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Special Hearing to approve a non-conforming two apartment dwelling.

Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

cc: Willie Hunt

Baltimore County Government
Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management Office of Planning & Zoning

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 2120+

March 27, 1992

(410) 887-3353

Mr. Willie Hunt 5004 Litchfield Avenue Baltimore, MD 21215

> RE: Item No. 334, Case No. 92-323-SPH Petitioner: Willie Hunt

Petition for Special Hearing

Dear Mr. Hunt:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The attached comments from each reviewing agency are not intended to assure that all parties, i.e. Zoning Commissioner, attorney and/or the petitioner, are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case.

Enclosed are all comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition. If additional comments are received from other members of ZAC, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled accordingly.

The following comments are related only to the filing of future zoning petitions and are aimed at expediting the petition filing process with this office.

The Director of Zoning Administration and Development Management has instituted a system whereby seasoned zoning attorneys who feel that they are capable of filing petitions that comply with all aspects of the zoning regulations and petitions filing requirements can file their petitions with this office without the necessity of a review by Zoning personnel.

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Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management Office of Planning & Zoning 111 West Chesapcake Avenue

(410) 887-3353

Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this 18th day of February, 1992.

DIRECTOR

Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

Petitioner: Willie Hunt Petitioner's Attorney:



BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Arnold Jablon, Director Zoning Administration

and Development Management

Gary Kerns, Chief Community and Comprehensive Planning Division Office of Planning and Zoning

Hunt Property, Item No. 334

In reference to the applicant's request, staff offers no comments:

GK:JL:prh ITEM334.ZAC/ZAC1





700 East Joppa Road Suite 901 Towson, MD 21204-5500

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MARCE 3, 1992

Arnold Jablon Director Zoning Administration and Development Management Baltimore County Office Euilding Towson, MD 21204

RE: Froperty Owner: WILLIE HUNT

#7305 LINDEN AVENUE Location:

Zoning Agenda: MARCH 3, 1992 Item No.: 334

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

5. The buildings and structures existing or proposed on the site shall comply with all applicable requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 101 "Life Safety Code", 1988 edition prior to occupancy.

REVIEWER: Approved
Planning Group

Noted and Fire Prevention Bureau

Special Inspection Division

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ZONING OFFICE

BALTIMORE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Memorandum

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Julie Winiarski Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

A. J. Haley, Deputy Director Economic Development Commission March 3, 1992

Zoning Advisory Comments for Meeting of March 3, 1992

This office has no comment for items 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, and 334.

c: Ken Nohe



ZONING OFFICE

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: March 16, 1992 Zoning Administration and Development Management FROM: Robert W. Bowling, P.E.

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for March 3, 1992

The Developers Engineering Division has reviewed the subject zoning items and we have no comments for Items 117 (Case No. 92-108-X), 329, 330, 331, 333 and

For Item 316, the previous minor subdivision comments still apply.

For Item 298 (Case No. 92-296-XA), and Item 332, the sites must be submitted through the new subdivision process for review and comments.

For Item 328, the site must be submitted through the minor subdivision process for review and comments.

> Kobeitw. Dowling ROBERT W. BOWLING, P.E., Chief Developers Engineering Division

RWB:s



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

DATE: March 26, 1992

Mr. Armold Jablon, Director office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

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SUBJECT: Z.A.C. Comments

Z.A.C. MEETING DATE: March 3, 1992

TTEM NUMBER: 334

The issue of parking should be adequately addressed.

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Plat to accompany Petition for Zoning Variance	Special Hearing
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I ded speak with one former resident of Crerry Heights, a MR. Allen Curry. He stated that he moved into the cherry tergets community Northy ofter World War I and later bought a loure at 7401 beech avenue (GLB 1938/84) in 1951. HR. Curry wort on to ray, that The Fourse at 7305 hurden levenue was already being weed as a two unt dwelling when he moved into the community. He has agreed to give swown testamony, if meede extra written or verbal orbition, to attent to that fact.

MR. Curry sold and moved out of his 7401 Beach avenue Lone (SM. 8674/98) in 1990. He is now living in an apartment and can be reached at the following address.

HR. allen Curry 4406 Bowleys Lane Daltinoce, MD. 21206

HRHberts have at 7305 tenden avenue is currently occupied by two sutters elderly sesters, MS. Jean Tockson in the first unit and Eslith Hackey in the second unit. Mr. Jackson is preposely harbested, wheel chair bound. cherry theights neighbors help take care of ler.

According to Hes. Julia Crestinut, spokesperson for to Clery Hergit, subdivision, the sisters occupying the dwelling at 7305 hunden to enme, as for as the community is concerned are viewed as one family. They have lived in the Community for approximately twenty years. Further, they are considered an integral part of the Clerry Heights extended farmely and nothing seould be some to disrupt then living arrangements.

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Monconforming use as a two unit dwelling The new property ourer of 7307 hurden ave, Kayhouse Realty's, Hugh and was at the request of the Clerry Heights Community association, cited for Converting a single family have into a two family apartment. He (Hugh devolopentum, as reported - had 7305 huslen avenue citial.

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10: Jett Long FROM LONGOOD JOHNSON

3-11-42 SURSCET: 7305 LINDON AVE. CHERRY HEIGHT

1. HR. Willie Hunt owner of the property in question, located at 7305 Lundin ave in 24 Corry Herge & subdevine Stated to me in a tellip one interview that when he purchased the projection from Mrs. willa Duran (Deceared 1990) in 1973 [5362/613] the dwelling was already devided into two unto.

according to land record. (W.J.R 3692/461) Bertha Burrell bourant til house from fourt owners Walter Herrion, Eiter. Henran and Samuel Griffing. Samuel Griffin, his wife Many Griffen and grandom Walter Griffen had fructored the property from a Hir alfred J. O'FERRALL [W. K.n 660/400),

I have, with the help of HES. Fulia Clestant 9205, Lunden ave wis is the spokesperson for the Cherry Heighty, tried to fend either relatives of previous owners or neighbors We could attest to when 7305 hunden avenue was Converted to a two family clivelling.

Mès Bert a Burrel, minéraise above sequentes an inproved Charry Heights property at 7212 Beech ave (S.M.8536/254) To her son Krugston Burrell. No one has been able to contact him. According Earry Heights

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Legal Owner(s):

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I/We do solemnly declare and affirm,

under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

Contract Purchaser/Lessee:

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